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**STORAGE DEVICE, PROGRAM FOR CONTROLLING STORAGE DEVICE,
METHOD FOR CONTROLLING STORAGE DEVICE AND RECORDING MEDIUM**

the specification of which:

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